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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to an office action dated 11/18/2003.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the attached set of claims in the case with the status of each claim shown canceling claims 8-11, 13 and 15-24:

- 1. (Previously Presented) A probe for measuring tread depth, said probe comprising:
- a housing having a window formed therein, said housing having a proximal end and a distal end;